(b) There is no proposal for a general revision at present.

Clerks 40—60 and 60—80 grade—Matriculates.

454. Mr. A. Sankara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) how many clerks there are in the Government service in the 40—60 grade and 60—80 grade who are only Matriculates or who are only School Finals ;

(b) what is the period of service of each of them ;

(c) whether there are clerks in the Government service who are only Matriculates or School Finals, who are now in the 80—100 grade ; if so, how many ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a), (b) and (c). Vide statement appended. (*Appendix IX.*)

M. L. Cs. owing money to Government.

455. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the table of the House a list of Members of the Legislative Council, if any, who owe money to the Government with the amounts due from each of them and the nature of the transaction which gave rise to the liability ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The dues to the Government may cover several kinds of claims, e. g., land revenue or other sorts of revenue, loans, advances recoverable, etc., etc. It is not feasible to answer the question without knowing the exact nature of the dues the Member has in mind.

College extension scheme.

456. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the total amount spent upon the College extension scheme at Ernakulam (buildings and sites) since the Budget Session of 1106 Karkadagam including the awards passed for sites for play-grounds and hostel buildings ;

(b) how much more money will be required for completing the University demands regarding buildings, play-grounds and hostels ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) Rs. 4,97,271-6-2.

(b) Nearly 10 lakhs.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—The question is with regard to the amount that was spent on the College extension scheme including buildings and sites and awards passed regard-

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ing certain sites acquired. May I know what is the amount of the awards passed ?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—The amount is about rupees two lakhs and 25.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Therefore, are we to take it that only 2½ lakhs have been spent on the buildings subsequent to the Karkadagam session ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is this amount inclusive of this 2 lakhs ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Do the Government think that this will be the final bill as far as you can now see ? I think 14 lakhs will be the total expenditure ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—About 15 lakhs.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Does this take in the amount spent for the extension of the High School buildings necessitated by the location of the College here ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—No.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know what is the amount spent on the High School building so far ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—I think for acquisition purposes we have spent about Rs. 15,000 so far and we are reconstructing the buildings which will cost about Rs. 36,000.

Mr. T. K. Nayar.—May I know the acquisition charges for the play-grounds ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon —2 lakhs and 25.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—For the play-grounds ?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—18 and odd acres were acquired for the purpose of the play-grounds costing about 2 lakhs and 25.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether the necessary grounds for the hostel buildings have been acquired?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—No.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Have not the Government to acquire the necessary grounds for hostel buildings to satisfy the University demands ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—I do not think it will be necessary since the site at which the present hostel buildings stand will be sufficient to put in more buildings according to the original plan.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it necessary to put extra hostel buildings ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—How many, may I know ? How much will be necessary ?

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Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—That is covered in the answer. Nearly 10 lakhs will be necessary.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—May I know whether the estimates prepared by the P. W. D. have a tendency to grow?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The estimates have no tendency to grow.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—May I know how it came about that the present estimates in connection with the College extension scheme happen to be practically double the estimate that was put before the House on a previous occasion?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—It is because for acquisition purposes the provision was only 1 lakh and 50 thousand but now it comes to 2 and odd lakhs. That is how it is brought about.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—How did it arise?

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Was there any estimate prepared for this building when the amounts were given to the Council?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—No.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Does this 10 lakhs take in the cost of the removal of the water tank from the present site?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes, it includes everything that is contemplated as per the proposals of the University Commission.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—Which among the new schemes were not originally forecasted? At the time of the discussion of this matter Government said that the approximate cost will be less than 8 lakhs. Are there any new items now, after Government said that the total expenditure will be only 8 lakhs? How did it rise to 15 lakhs?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—I want notice.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—Is the Hon'ble Member in a position to tell us whether any new items have been included in the present estimate?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Was the figure 8 lakhs or was it 12?

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—You may take it as 12.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Then even in the land acquisition charges there was an increase of 70 thousand rupees.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Is it on account of depression and fall in value of the articles?

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether the land acquisition awards have been accepted or contested?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—They have been contested.

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Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.— In how many cases?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—There will be as many cases as there are awards, frivolous contentions. That will be seen from the result.

Quran Teachers.

457. **Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the names of Quran teachers who have not been confirmed in the service;

(b) the number of years they have put in in the educational service;

Mr. K. Narasimha Pai.— (a) and (b) A list showing the information is appended. (*Appendix X*).

Protector—Labour Department.

458. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) whether Mr. V. R. M. Chohan was not appointed Protector of the Depressed Classes;

(b) whether a copy of the Diwan's Proceedings appointing him as Protector of the Depressed Classes be printed and placed on the table;

(c) whether he has not full-time work as the Protector of the Depressed Classes;

(d) whether he has reported to the Government that he has not full-time work as the Protector of the Depressed Classes;

(e) when was his department christened as the Labour Department;

(f) how many Labour unions were organised by the Protector of the Depressed Classes in 1107 and 1108?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

(b) Copy is appended (*Appendix XI*).

(c) Yes.

(d) No.

(e) The department has not been formally designated, "Labour Department"; but in popular language it is also known as such.

(f) Government have no information that any Labour Unions have been started by the Protector of the Depressed Classes.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May I know the name of the department?

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